

ST. TAMMANY PARISH COUNCIL

RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION COUNCIL SERIES NO. C-6848

COUNCIL SPONSOR: MR. AIREY

PROVIDED BY: BOND COUNSEL

A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR CANVASSING THE RETURNS AND DECLARING THE RESULTS OF THE SPECIAL ELECTION HELD IN THE PARISH OF ST. TAMMANY, STATE OF LOUISIANA, ON SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2023, TO AUTHORIZE THE RENEWAL OF A SPECIAL TAX THEREIN.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Parish Council of the Parish of St. Tammany, State of Louisiana (the "Governing Authority"), acting as the governing authority of the Parish of St. Tammany, State of Louisiana (the "Parish"), that:

SECTION 1. Canvass. This Governing Authority does now proceed in open and public session to examine the official tabulations of votes cast at the special election held in the Parish of St. Tammany, State of Louisiana, on SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2023, to authorize the renewal of a special tax therein, and said Governing Authority does further proceed to examine and canvass the returns and declare the result of the special election.

SECTION 2. Election Results. According to the official certified tabulation of votes cast at said Elections, there was a total of **19,365** votes cast **IN FAVOR OF** Proposition and a total of **20,427** votes cast **AGAINST** Proposition, resulting in a majority of **1,062** votes cast **AGAINST** Proposition. The Proposition was therefore duly **DEFEATED** by a majority of the votes cast by the qualified electors voting at the Election.

SECTION 3. Promulgation of Election Result. The results of said election shall be promulgated by publication in the manner provided by law, after receipt from the Secretary of State's office of the actual costs of the election, as required by §18:1292 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended.

SECTION 4. Declaration. The foregoing results of the Election are hereby declared by this Governing Authority and shall be published as required by law.

SECTION 5. Procès Verbal. A *Procès Verbal* of the canvass of the returns of the Election shall be made and a certified copy thereof shall be forwarded to the Secretary of State, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, who shall record the same in his office; another certified copy thereof shall be forwarded to the Clerk of Court and *Ex-Officio* Recorder of Mortgages in and for the Parish of St. Tammany, who shall record the same in the Mortgage Records of said Parish; and another copy thereof shall be retained in the archives of this Governing Authority.

THIS RESOLUTION HAVING BEEN SUBMITTED TO A VOTE, THE VOTE THEREON WAS AS FOLLOWS:

MOVED FOR ADOPTION BY _____

SECONDED BY _____

YEAS:

NAYS:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

THIS RESOLUTION WAS DECLARED ADOPTED ON THE 7TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 2023, AT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL, A QUORUM OF THE MEMBERS BEING PRESENT AND VOTING.

JACOB "JAKE" A. AIREY, COUNCIL CHAIR

ATTEST:

KATRINA BUCKLEY, COUNCIL CLERK

PROCÈS VERBAL OF THE CANVASS OF THE VOTES CAST AT THE SPECIAL ELECTION HELD IN THE PARISH OF ST. TAMMANY, STATE OF LOUISIANA, ON SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2023.

BE IT KNOWN AND REMEMBERED that on Thursday, December 7, 2023, at 6:00 p.m., at its regular meeting place, the Council Chambers of the Parish Government Complex, 21490 Koop Drive, Mandeville, Louisiana, the Parish Council of the Parish of St. Tammany, State of Louisiana (the "Governing Authority"), acting as the governing authority of the Parish of St. Tammany, State of Louisiana (the "Parish"), and being the authority ordering the special election held therein on Saturday, November 18, 2023, with a quorum being present, did examine the official certified tabulations of votes cast at the said election, and did examine and canvass the returns of the said election, there having been submitted at said election the following proposition, to wit:

ST. TAMMANY PARISHWIDE PROPOSITION

(PUBLIC HEALTH TAX RENEWAL)

Shall the Parish of St. Tammany, State of Louisiana (the "Parish"), continue to levy a 1.78 mills tax on all the property subject to taxation in said Parish (an estimated \$4,450,000 reasonably expected at this time to be collected from the levy of the Tax for an entire year), for a period of 10 years, beginning with the year 2024 and ending with the year 2033, for the purpose of supporting the St. Tammany Parish Health Center and related public health activities, including the construction of new buildings and/or renovation of existing health unit buildings?

There was found by said count and canvass that there was a total of **19,365** votes cast **IN FAVOR OF** Proposition and a total of **20,427** votes cast **AGAINST** Proposition, as hereinabove set forth, and it was further found and determined that there was a majority of **1,062** votes cast **AGAINST** Proposition as hereinabove set forth.

Therefore, the Governing Authority did declare and proclaim and does hereby declare and proclaim in open and public session that the Proposition as hereinabove set forth was duly **DEFEATED** by a majority of the votes cast by the qualified electors voting at the said special election.

Results by precinct are available from the Council Clerk of this Governing Authority during regular business hours or via the Louisiana Secretary of State's website (voterportal.sos.la.gov).

THUS DONE AND SIGNED at Mandeville, Louisiana, on this, the 7th day of December, 2023.

JACOB "JAKE" A. AIREY, COUNCIL CHAIR

ATTEST:

KATRINA L. BUCKLEY, COUNCIL CLERK

NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION

Pursuant to the provisions of a resolution adopted by the Parish Council of the Parish of St. Tammany, State of Louisiana (the "Governing Authority"), acting as the governing authority of the Parish of St. Tammany, State of Louisiana (the "Parish"), on August 3, 2023, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a special election will be held within the Parish on **SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2023**, and that at the said election there will be submitted to all registered voters in the Parish qualified and entitled to vote at the said election under the Constitution and Laws of the State of Louisiana and the Constitution of the United States, the following proposition, to-wit:

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Said special election will be held at each and every polling place in the Parish of St. Tammany, which polls will open at seven o'clock (7:00) a.m. and close at eight o'clock (8:00) p.m., in accordance with the provisions of La. R.S. 18:541.

The polling places at the precincts in the Parish are hereby designated as the polling places at which to hold the said election, and the Commissioners-in-Charge and Commissioners, respectively, shall be those persons designated according to law.

The estimated cost of this election as determined by the Secretary of State based upon the provisions of Chapter 8-A of Title 18 and actual costs of similar elections is \$53,000.

Notice is further given that a portion of the monies collected from the tax described in the Proposition shall be remitted to certain state and statewide retirement systems in the manner required by law.

The said special election will be held in accordance with the applicable provisions of Chapter 5 and Chapter 6-A of Title 18 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended, and other constitutional and statutory authority, and the officers appointed to hold the said election, as provided in this Notice of Special Election, or such substitutes therefor as may be selected and designated in accordance with La. R.S. 18:1287, will make due returns thereof to said Governing Authority, and NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN that the Governing Authority will meet at its regular meeting place, the Council Chambers of the Parish Government Complex, 21490 Koop Drive, Mandeville, Louisiana, on **THURSDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2023**, at **SIX O'CLOCK (6:00) P.M.**, and shall then and there in open and public session proceed to examine and canvass the returns and declare the result of the said special election. All registered voters of the Parish are entitled to vote at said special election and voting machines will be used.

STATE OF LOUISIANA

PARISH OF ST. TAMMANY

I, the undersigned Clerk of the Parish Council of the Parish of St. Tammany, State of Louisiana (the "Governing Authority"), acting as the governing authority of the Parish of St. Tammany, State of Louisiana (the "Parish"), do hereby certify that the foregoing pages constitute a true and correct copy of the proceedings and *Procès Verbal* made by said Governing Authority on December 7, 2023, providing for canvassing the returns and declaring the results of the special election held in the Parish on Saturday, November 18, 2023, to authorize the renewal of a special tax therein.

IN FAITH WHEREOF, witness my official signature at Mandeville, Louisiana, on this, the 7th day of December, 2023.

KATRINA L. BUCKLEY, COUNCIL CLERK